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Attorney Docket No. 101.0077-00000  
Customer No. 22882

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Gary K. Michelson )  
Serial No.: 09/553,573 )  
Filed: April 19, 2000 )  
For: ARTIFICIAL LUMBAR NON-ARCUATE )  
INTERBODY SPINAL IMPLANT HAVING )  
AN ASYMMETRICAL LEADING END )  
(as amended) )

Confirmation No.: 3776  
Group Art Unit: 3738  
Examiner: Bruce E. Snow

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action of December 17, 2007, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 19 of this paper.

Amendment 03-17-08